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HUSBAND WAS CRUEL.

This Is Charge Made by Mrs. Laurent in Application for Divorce.

Charges of cruel treatment form the basis for a divorce which Mrs. Zaidé Laurent wants from her husband, E. Laurent, an electrician employed in the Santa Fe general offices here. The Laurents live at No. 731 Topeka avenue. Mrs. Laurent has instituted her suit for divorce and filed her petition in the suit with the clerk of the district court on yesterday afternoon. The couple were married at Pleasant Hill, Mo., on March 19, 1887, and have five children, Claire, 19 years old; Louise, 17; Joseph, 12; Marie, 8, and Anna Reita, 4. Mrs. Laurent started a suit for divorce from her husband four years ago but withdrew it on his promises to treat her better. She claims that he has violated all these promises and she insists that she must be divorced from him. Mrs. Laurent wants the custody of the children and \$2,500 alimony.

According to the petition in the suit, Mrs. Laurent claims that her husband was recently guilty of extreme cruelty towards her, in that on April 30 he struck her, cut her hair, bit her on the hand, she threw a butcher knife at her. She declares that on this occasion he also treated with extreme cruelty their children, Louise and Joseph, in that he struck them and choked them.

She tells of the divorce proceedings which she instituted against him on March 25, 1903. She wanted a divorce then on the ground that he had treated her cruelly. She says that he pleaded with her to withdraw the divorce proceedings and promised that he would stop the use of intoxicating liquors and treat her in a proper manner. She says that he also promised to give her at least \$20 a month from his wages and that out of this money she was to pay all the bills for the running of the household and the support of their family. She swears that he has violated all these promises and has treated her more cruelly lately than he ever had before. Mrs. Laurent states further that on April 1 her husband only gave her \$5 from his salary and that this is all the money he gave her during last month.

Mrs. Laurent asks that her husband be restrained from drawing his salary from the Santa Fe for as she fears if he is not she will be unable to obtain funds for the support of his family. She also asks that he be restrained from leaving the jurisdiction of the court pending the determination of the suit, as she declares he has threatened to do if she brought the proceedings for the divorce.

It is set up in the complaint that Mr. Laurent draws a salary of \$85 per month, that he has electrical tools to the value of \$100 and that the household furniture belonging to the family are valued at \$300. Mrs. Laurent asks for \$2,500 alimony, payable in gross, or in such installments as the court may direct. She also asks for \$50 for preliminary counsel fees and for temporary alimony pending the disposition of her suit.

Negro Woman Gets Light Fine. Jessie Harris, negro, was fined \$5 and costs by Judge Simon in the city court today after he had found her guilty of a charge of petit larceny which had been preferred against her by Byron Stitt, a young white man. Stitt claims that the woman held him up in the alley between Kansas avenue and Quincy streets and by brandishing a razor over his head forced him to

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SNATCHED FROM TOMB.

Seven Imprisoned Miners Rescued After Being Buried 100 Hours.

Johnstown, Pa., May 1.—Taken from the dark recesses of a coal mine where they had been imprisoned for over 100 hours, the seven men rescued from the Barwind-White mine at Foustwell, are lying in the hospital, physically exhausted and oblivious to all around them.

The men were reached at 10 o'clock last night but were not brought out until early this morning, the physicians fearing effects of a reaction from the strain and sudden exposure to the outer air.

Upon being brought out all the men wanted to go to their homes and were taken to the hospital under protest. No food was given them at first, but only a stimulant in the form of brandy and water. Soon after arriving at the hospital the men were sound asleep and no communication is allowed with them. Correspondents and newspaper photographers who swarm about the vicinity of the hospital are turned aside and the men are not disturbed except at regular intervals when the nurses administer hot broths and other nourishment. Immediately after these treatments the men again drop to sleep.

"We knew the men on the outside were pumping out the water in an endeavor to release us. We kept a careful watch and could note water going down inch by inch. There was nothing we could do to help and we all chafed under this. We could hear the tapping on the pipe and knew it meant for us to keep up our courage," said Foreman Bolya. "We always signaled back whenever we heard the tapping. All the men had full dinner buckets when they came into the mine Friday morning, but the food was soon exhausted and we felt the pangs of hunger keenly. I don't think the men, after the third day, ever expected to see their families again, but the way they kept up their spirits was admirable."

GOLD TO THE CHURCH.

P. H. Anderson Loses the Major Portion of His Klondike Million.

Abilene, Kan., May 1.—A Washington dispatch says:

"Nels O. Hultberg and the Swedish Evangelical Covenant of America, are to have the major part of the one million dollars' worth of gold mined in Alaska by P. H. Anderson and Claes W. Johnson, according to a decision of the supreme court today. Johnson lost his suit to keep the gold, in the Illinois supreme court and appealed to the federal supreme court, which held that it had no jurisdiction, hence the Illinois decision must stand."

Peter Anderson was an Enterprise boy and went to Alaska as a Swedish missionary. He found gold and staked out claims. These claims the church demanded because he was in its mission service and Hultberg represents the church in the case.

In five years the mines, it is said, yielded \$1,200,000 worth of gold. In 1904 action was begun by the Swedish Evangelical covenant to get the worth of the gold mined and the mine.

Anderson tried to give \$75,000 toward the building of the Swedish Evangelical college in McPherson, whereupon Hultberg had the payment stopped because the money was involved in the litigation in Illinois. He gave his wife about 1,200 acres of land in Logan township and it is possible that Hultberg will on this decision try to secure it.

This local end of the case involves only that land and the case was filed here a year ago with that in view. E. C. Little represents Hultberg and E. C. Smith represents Anderson in the matter here.

SIX BLOCKS MAINS.

Those Decided Upon by Waterworks Trustees.

Six blocks of extensions of water service mains have been authorized by the board of waterworks trustees.

The people living in the following blocks will now have the benefit of having city water accessible:

Buchanan street from 16th to 17th streets.

Folk street from 14th to 15th streets.

Fillmore street from First to Third streets.

The first named street will have a six inch main and the remaining two streets will have four inch mains.

Work commenced today on these extensions.

The waterworks department has enough pipe on hand and already shipped to complete all of this work and a little over.

Two cars of four inch pipe are on the way and one car load of six inch pipe is being unloaded in the railroad yards.

C. E. Jewell, chairman of the board of waterworks trustees; John Rodgers, city engineer; Frank Snyder, street commissioner; and Jesse Smith, superintendent of the waterworks department, made a survey of a proposed road through Auburndale to connect with the road already constructed. No decision has yet been made.

WAY TO PADRON CLEAR.

Judge Who Tried January Recommendations Release.

Guthrie, Okla., May 1.—District Judge Embury, in whose court here John William January, alias Anderson, the Kansas City business man, was convicted 12 years ago, today found that January be pardoned. This recommendation is said to be all that stands in the way of the pardon being granted.

HOSPITAL FIRE ESCAPES.

System Is Installed at Christ for Fire Fighting.

Fire escapes with platforms and otherwise constructed on the most approved plan are being placed on Christ hospital, on both east and west wings. A complete house system of fire fighting is also being installed. These new improvements will practically render the hospital immune from danger from loss by fire.

Misses Witwer and Lindsey.

The opening of the new art supply store, 733 Kansas avenue, is of much interest to the art loving people. Having been in the business for years we understand the tastes of our people and wish for your encouragement and patronage.

Silk Suitings
At 75c Yd.

We've twenty-five pieces of exceptionally well chosen suitings to show you, at 75 cents a yard. Many are 27 inches wide—some have been selling at \$1 a yard. All are thoroughly good in quality. Plain colors, fashionable stripes, and checks, in all colorings with white. These silks merit your early consideration. At the price, it will be easy to select two suit patterns where you had intended buying but one.

Main Floor.

Excellent Silk
Petticoats \$5

As full, as well cut, and finely finished as the higher priced skirts. Excellent black taffeta silk—jet-black, lustrous, has the soft rustle, and firmness enough to give the smart flare to the dress skirt. Thirteen-inch flounce, made of four bias strips, each corded, and very slightly gathered one upon the other—Impossible to improve upon these skirts at \$5.00.

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BLOW FOR MARSHALL'S.

Flaw in Law Makes the Levy Insignificant.

Twenty-four dollars—that is the amount of the tax levy that the city of Topeka can raise for Marshall's band.

The band is expecting anywhere from \$1,200 to \$2,400.

Three distinguished gentlemen with pencils in hand and pads of paper on their knees were figuring this morning in the office of the mayor. The three were Mayor Green, ex-Mayor Berglund and Councilman Howe.

The last legislature made it possible for the city to raise money by a special levy of one-fifth of a mill on every \$100 of assessed valuation in a total assessed valuation of \$12,000,000 of taxable property in the city of Topeka.

The intention of the law was to raise up to \$2,400 annually, but a mistake was made and it is possible to make it \$24 only. Instead of \$100 the law should have read \$1.

Marshall's band desired to contract with the city for public band concerts in return for money raised by reason of the levy but since the city can only make it \$24, it is very probable no public band concerts will be held this summer.

RELEASED ON BAIL.

Managers of Policy Holders' Committee Have Cases Continued.

New York, May 1.—When George B. Scrugham, manager of the international policy holders' committee, and Charles F. Carrington and Charles Sturup, assistant managers, were arrested, arrested late last night on charges of forgery in connection with the recent election of director of the New York Life Insurance company, were arraigned today, their cases were continued until Monday next. Scrugham and Sturup were released on \$2,500 bail and Carrington on \$3,000.

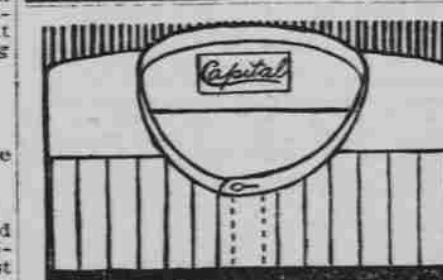
Before he was arraigned in court Scrugham issued a statement in which he declared that acts of an entirely legal nature have been misconstrued so as to make it appear that an attempt was made to circumvent the laws governing the insurance election and to procure the counting by fraud of the ballots not properly executed.

SANTA FE BONDS OFFERED.

Stockholders Can Subscribe for 12 Per Cent of Holdings.

New York, May 1.—Following a meeting today of the directors of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway company it was announced that holders of the common and preferred stock will be privileged to subscribe for an amount of the 10 year five per cent convertible gold bonds of the company, equal to 12 per cent of their respective holdings.

The bonds will be convertible prior to June 1, 1913, at the option of holders.



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Colored Silk Petticoats \$2.98

You could not make such a skirt for so little—two dollars ninety-eight cents—think of it! Silk good—excellent—skirts are full—3-plee folds—lustrous, deep, finished with narrow folds. Beautiful rose shades, also green or brown two-toned silks.

Black Taffeta Petticoats \$3.98

We have sold skirts of this grade for \$5.00, and you have thought the price moderate. Now, in the New Basement Store you can pay even less. Black taffeta of good weight and lustrous, skirts cut in new style—made with 10-inch pleated flounce, having 5-inch flaring ruffle made of three bias strips.

Striped Gingham Petticoats 39c

So inexpensive, yet so good—neatly made of 1/4 inch blue-and-white striped gingham, with plain, bias ruffle. You can buy a quantity of these skirts and not miss the money.

WOMEN'S BLACK LACE

LISLE HOSE—Fast black—lace-stitch stripes, new design. Lisle hose, heel, toe and sole. Excellent quality, to be found only in the New Basement Store at 19c.

MEN'S COLORED HALF

HOSE—Fine cotton, in the newest shades and patterns—greys or tans, checked, striped, barred, dotted or mixed. Double heel and toe. Price is trivial for such values—19c.

WOMEN'S GOOD BLACK

Cotton Hose—40-gauge—seamless—double heel and sole—shapely hose of more than usual value at 10c and 12 1/2c.

Grey Wool Skirt—New Model, \$2.98

Cloth is surprisingly good for the price. The popular shade of grey faintly barred with dull blue and green—inverted pleat in back—at each edge a pretty shaped fold turned back and stitched down—with self-covered buttons for finishing. Very good fitting, stylish skirt.

Basement Glove Department

Savings worth coming down stairs for—buy several pairs of these gloves—wholesalers' prices trend upward, never downward, this season. We can not promise such low retail prices all summer.

16-button Kid Gloves, mousquetaire, white or black, \$2.50.

2-clasp Kid Gloves, colors and black, much underpriced at 79c.

16-button Silk Gloves, black or white, 98c.

2-clasp Silk Gloves, tan, brown or black, 45c.

16-button Lisle Thread Gloves, black, or white, 75c.

UP TO ROOSEVELT.

To Tell What He and Mellen Talked About.

Washington, May 1.—President Chas. S. Mellen of the New Haven railway, and T. E. Byrnes, first vice president of the road, talked with President Roosevelt for sometime today. Not a word was obtainable from them as to why they called or what they talked about with the president and they said there would be nothing to make public about the visit.

Mr. Mellen was asked whether there had been a discussion of the railroad valuation question, but continued to maintain his reticence. He said he had no objection to anything the president might make public about the interview.

After their call at the White House, Messrs. Mellen and Byrnes visited the interstate commerce commission. Later in the day Mr. Mellen went to New York and Mr. Byrnes to Boston.

ATCHISON MEN HERE.

Try to Get Property Released From Receivers.

James Chisham and William Kiff of Atchison came to Topeka today to plead with Attorney General Jackson for the release from the custody of the brewery receivers of a large quantity of beer property seized at Atchison, which it is claimed belongs to Sam Brouse, and not to the A. B. Brouse company.

This was to supplement the efforts made on Tuesday by Mr. Brouse himself and Mayor S. King of Atchison. But it was without results. In response this morning to a question as to what he expects to do about the matter, General Jackson said:

"I have nothing to do with the matter." "But the matter was checked up to you, wasn't it?"

"Yes," replied Mr. Jackson, "and I checked it right back. If Mr. Brouse feels that an injustice has been done him, he will have to make his plea before the court. It is not my business to interfere."

SALOONS ALL TAGGED.

Brewery Receivers Finish Their Work in Kansas City, Kan.

Kansas City, Mo., May 1.—The brewery receivers finished taking possession of the saloons in Kansas City, Kan., and its suburbs today. Most of the places which had been closed months ago by Assistant Attorney General Trickett were deserted and it was evident that they had not been occupied in a long time. No resistance was encountered by the receivers at any of the places visited.

Santa Fe Excursions

Philadelphia and Return, \$32.00.—On sale May 28th and June 2nd, final limit returning June 14th. Account American Medical Association.

Mexico City and return \$46.50. On sale April 26th to May 15th, good returning as late as July 31st. Second excursion same rate as above on sale June 8th to 15th, final limit returning August 31st. Liberal stop over privileges.

Homeseekers' Excursion tickets on sale first and third Tuesdays of each month. Rate in many cases less than one fare and limit twenty-one and thirty days, according to destination.

NORFOLK, VA., AND RETURN ACCOUNT JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

Season tickets \$31.95 on sale daily April 26th to Nov. 30th. Final return limit December 15th.

Sixty day tickets \$42.80. Final limit sixty days from date of sale.

Fifteen day tickets \$34.90. Final limit fifteen days from date of sale.

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Cold Postpones Ball Games.

New York, May 1.—In the National baseball league today rainy, cold weather, postponed the game at Cincinnati with Chicago and at Philadelphia with Brooklyn. On the same account in the American league the Washington-Philadelphia game was postponed.

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